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Applicants: David L. Rimm et al

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For: "Method for the Detection, Identification, Enumeration and Confirmation of Circulating Cancer and/or Hematologic Progenitor Cells in Whole Blood"

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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR §1.136(a))

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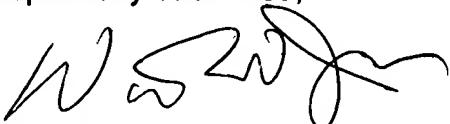
Dear Sir:

This is a petition for an extension of 3 (three) months of the time period to respond to the Office Action mailed June 23, 1999, said extension to expire on December 23, 1999.

An amendment responsive to the above-identified office action is enclosed herewith.

A check in the amount of \$870.00 in payment of the petition fee is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,



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